

2003/2004 Awarded Transportation Planning Grants

Environmental Justice: Context-Sensitive Planning Grants					
CT District	Grant Recipient	Project Name	County	Project Description	Grant Award
1	Humboldt County/RCAA	Healthy Rural Roads	Humboldt	The proposed Healthy Rural Roads Project is a comprehensive approach to specifically address unique alternative transportation challenges faced by rural populations through four components: 1) a needs assessment, 2) the development of alternative transportation 'treatment' recommendations, 3) the application of non-motorized design models in a case study, and 4) an expansion of existing non-motorized transportation/health educational efforts.	\$200,000
3	SACOG/LGC	Neighborhood Planning for Safe Routes to School in the Sacramento Area	Sacramento	This project aims to defuse child pedestrian injuries and improve neighborhood accessibility and livability in the Sacramento region by working with four diverse neighborhoods in the Sacramento area to engage students, parents, teachers, and community leaders in neighborhood planning exercises.	\$112,934
4	Employment & Human Services Dept. of Contra Costa County	Welfare-to-Work Transportation Action Plan Update and Expansion	Contra Costa	This project would update and expand the Welfare-To-Work Transportation Action Plan for Contra Costa County, which was originally completed in the spring of 1999. This plan is used as the basis for identifying the employment transportation needs and issues faced by the low income population of this county; determining if there are gaps in the area's mobility support systems that result in a failure to meet these needs; and recommending the expansion or development of mobility support systems so as to improve service delivery and remove these employment transportation barriers.	\$36,000
4	San Francisco County Transportation Authority	Outer Mission Transportation Study	San Francisco	The purpose of the proposed study is to develop a transportation plan for the Outer Mission, focusing on Mission Street between Avalon and France Avenues in southern San Francisco. The goals for the study are to: improve pedestrian safety, improve transit travel time and reliability, and calm traffic, particularly speeding automobiles. The Outer Mission community is ethnically diverse, with a high proportion of seniors, recent immigrants, and transit-dependent persons.	\$81,000
6	City of Coalinga/CEC	Project for Education and Decision Making	Fresno	An educational and community decision making process that will encourage Spanish-speaking future residents of the Westside Mexican Village to identify the best housing, land use, and transportation elements in their cultural heritage and to plan with professional architects, planners, a farm worker village that can serve as a model for the rural San Joaquin region.	\$52,095
7	City of Los Angeles Dept of Transportation	Boyle Heights Freeway Access Planning Study	Los Angeles	The proposed project will study environmental justice issues related to freeway access in the Boyle Heights community of the City of Los Angeles. This study will analyze the feasibility of closing several freeway on- and off-ramps. These ramps are also used by commuters to access Downtown Los Angeles. Noise, dust and air emissions from these vehicles significantly impact the quality of life for area residents. Additionally, because of the tremendous volume of traffic that utilizes local streets to access freeway ramps, these streets are frequently congested, creating safety hazards for school children and other pedestrians. Potential impacts on regional mobility, the regional transportation network, traffic operations and goods movement will be analyzed as will potential benefits to the quality of life, public health, safety and local traffic access.	\$180,000
8	SANDAG/RTA	Coordination with Native American Tribal Governments	San Diego / Riverside	A project to promote transportation planning coordination between Tribal Governments in District 8 and District 11 and their respective Regional Transportation Planning Agencies. Because of the economic development occurring on Reservations, there is a greater need for communications between the Tribal Governments and the RTPA's. This project will address the lack of communications and develop a means of resolving the difficulties that have arisen from it. Product is a series of reports on establishment of permanent relationships between the RTA and the RTPA's.	\$112,500

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10	City of Lodi	Eastside Mobility and Access Plan (E-MAP)	San Joaquin	Seeks to measure cultural preferences for residential street features which in turn will remove barriers to job access and family development. E-MAP presents a comprehensive method in which all residents can make a difference on how their street looks and works. It recognizes that the best way to do that is by enabling people who live and work in the area to make choices.	\$80,000
10	San Joaquin Regional Transit District/Odyssey	Mobility Options and Opportunities: Better Services through Community Involvement	San Joaquin	To conduct an outreach and training project in San Joaquin County. The project will improve coordination of mobility options for persons with disabilities and other transit-dependent groups, and increase participation of low-income and minority groups in transportation planning.	\$180,000
11	City of San Diego/ACORN	San Diego Livable Communities Planning Project	San Diego	The Environmental Justice Livable Communities Planning Project, a partnership between the City of San Diego Planning Department and the non-profit community organizations San Diego ACORN and the Surface Transportation Policy Project (STPP), seeks to immediately involve low-income, minority, and other historically underrepresented (EJ) groups in the critical transportation planning processes and projects facing the Encanto and Southeast San Diego areas with a focus on enhancing biking/walking in the historical neighborhoods split by the I-805. Further it seeks to create a replicable process for increasing the participation by EJ groups across California in the planning of transportation-related projects.	\$248,000
11	City of San Diego/Euclid Ave. Revitalization Action Committee	Euclid Avenue Walkable Communities Project	San Diego	The project will create a comprehensive master plan as well as conceptual design drawings in order to address the lack of pedestrian amenities on Euclid Avenue. These documents will be the basis for a functional pedestrian circulation system along Euclid Avenue, from Home Avenue northward to University Avenue, in the City Heights community of San Diego. The project will refine the street improvement strategies of the Euclid Avenue Revitalization Action Program into block-by-block conceptual design drawings. This process will allow the community to identify its priorities, and will provide cost estimates to assist in future implementation of sidewalks, crosswalks, and traffic calming measures where none currently exist.	\$162,000
12	Orange County Transportation Authority/OCCSA	Update Orange County Area Plan for Adult Day Health Care Services (transportation element)	Orange County	Update the Orange County Area Plan for Adult Day Health Care Services originally created in 1978 that specifies the number and location of Adult Day Health Care Centers in the county. The overall goal of the project is to update the transportation component of the Orange County ADHC Plan so cost-effective and practical senior transportation strategies are developed for new ADHC centers, the Orange County Transportation Authority, the Orange County Community Services Agency/Office on Aging, and the ADHC Planning Council.	\$50,000

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